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1. PER REFTEL E WE BRIEFED ANDREW, EXTAFF DIRGEN ASIAN AND
PACIFIC AFFAIRS, APRIL 17 ON HUNGARIAN AND POLISH REPLIES
AND ON POSTPONEMENT OF KACZMAREK/ MITREGA VISITS, AS REPORTED
REFTELS A THRU D.

2. ANDREW THOUGHT US PRESSURE ON POLES AND HUNGARIANS COULD
CAUSE THEIR ICCS DELEGATIONS TO DEMONSTRATE A DEGREE OF
GREATER FLEXIBILITY, AND THEY MIGHT FROM TIME TO TIME ALLOW
PRG TO BEAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR BLOCKING ICCS INVESTIGATIONS
THROUGH REFUSAL TO INSURE SAFETY OR OTHER DEVICES. HOWEVER,
HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS POLES AND
HUNGARIANS COULD FIND IT POSSIBLE, EVEN UNDER US PRESSURE,
TO SIGN REPORTS ACCUSING FELLOW COMMUNISTS OF SERIOUS
VIOLATIONS OF AN INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT, AND THEREBY
CHARGING THEM WITH A SHARE OF THE RESPONSIBILITY SHOULD THE
PARIS AGREEMENTS BREAK DOWN. IN A CANDID COMMENT, HE SAID GOC
WOULD BE MOST UNLIKELY, IF IT CAME TO THAT, TO CHARGE US WITH
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RESPONSIBILITY FOR BREAKDOWN OF AGREEMENT, AND POLES AND
HUNGARIANS COULD BE EXPECTED TO BE EVEN LESS LIKELY TO CHARGE
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